AN ORDINANCE

BY COUNCILMEMBER IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR

AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE APPROXIMATELY \$64,000 IN IMPACT FEES FOR THE CITY OF REFUGE AT 1300 SIMPSON ROAD WHERE THEY ARE RENOVATING AND EXPANDING THEIR FACILITY TO SUPPORT THE HUMAN SERVICE PROGRAMS PROVIDED TO THE COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, City of Refuge exists solely to provide resources and services to the community creating opportunities for men and women to acquire job training and life skill courses to significantly improve their marketability in competing for employment.

WHEREAS, City of Refuge provide clothing, non-perishable food items, and household goods to over 80 partner ministries, enabling them to more effectively serve their clients (among these beneficiaries is the 24/7 Gateway Center, which recently receive a shipment of cleaning supplies from their program.

WHEREAS, City of Refuge delivers over 6,500 meals per month to feed the hungry residents in various locations throughout the community with their resource center open five days per week and offers a variety of resources and services for individuals and families in crisis

WHEREAS, City of Refuge allows community organizations to use their facility to host their events at no cost which include the Boy's & Girls club, Atlanta Youth Project, Fulton County Drug Court, and Zone Safety Atlanta.

WHEREAS, City of Refuge supports both the staff and students at Herndon Elementary School and Ben Carson Middle School through after school programs in which children receive tutoring, mentoring and a hot meal four days per week during the school year. Additionally, back to school supplies are provided for both students and teachers and these public institutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the development impact fees of approximately \$64,000 for renovations and expansions of City of Refuge are waived at 1300 Simpson Road NW. That the expansions and renovations are built in accordance with the City of Atlanta proposed Sustainable development Design Standards and the LEEDS principles that will serve as a demonstration project for which builders tour and learn from.

Section 2. That the Municipal Clerk of the City of Atlanta is hereby directed to transmit a signed copy of this legislation to the Director of the Bureau of Buildings.

Section 3. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.